

PATENT APPLICATION  
Docket No. 16497.3.1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of )  
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                        Richard S. Ginn et al. )  
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Filed:              10/08/2004                      )  
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For:                 PLUNGER APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR )  
                        DELIVERING A CLOSURE DEVICE              )  
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Examiner:          Glenn K. Dawson                    )  
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Customer No.:      057360                            )

**AMENDMENT "A" AND RESPONSE**

Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of September 15, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.